

Catholics Join in the Drive On Anti-Semitic Hoodlums

Leaders of the New York and Brooklyn Diocese of the Roman Catholic Church and the *Brooklyn Tablet* joined hands last week in open, powerful and passionate attacks on recent anti-Semitic outrages in New York City.

The Tablet, official publication of the Brooklyn Diocese and with which PM has long disagreed because of its defense of the policies of the Christian Front and Charles E. Coughlin, in an editorial Sunday said:

"No decent American can hold any brief or excuse for the attacks. They are hideous, villainous and worthy of every condemnation—as are similar attacks against any individuals because of their race, color or religion."

Bishop Thomas E. Molloy, head of the Diocese of Brooklyn, where a number of the anti-Semitic acts have occurred, asked 1700 community leaders at the Hotel St. George to devote all their talents and energies to remove this evil from the city.

He called on the "home, the school and the church" to "work diligently to remove the disposition to discriminate against any other member of the human family under God."

"Sympathy, understanding and generous goodwill," he said, "are indispensable requisites for any

happy, peaceful and harmonious relationship either within the family, the Nation or the world."

Earlier, Archbishop Francis J. Spellman of New York, the Military Vicar of the Armed Forces of the U. S. A., with whom PM has disagreed because of his defense of Franco, made known in a letter to former Judge Joseph M. Proskauer, president of the American Jewish Committee, that he approved of Proskauer's efforts to overcome racial and religious animosities and to promote mutual respect.

Proskauer in a broadcast suggested that every true American should take an oath to be true to the cause of humanity and brotherhood, which, he described, as the basis of American democracy. The oath:

"I will daily deal with every man in business, in social and in political relations, only on the basis of his true individual worth."

"I will never try to indict a whole people by reason of the delinquency of any number."

"I will spread no rumor and no slander against any sect."

"In my daily conduct I will consecrate myself, hour by hour, to the achievement of the highest ideal of the dignity of mankind, human equality, human fellowship and human brother."